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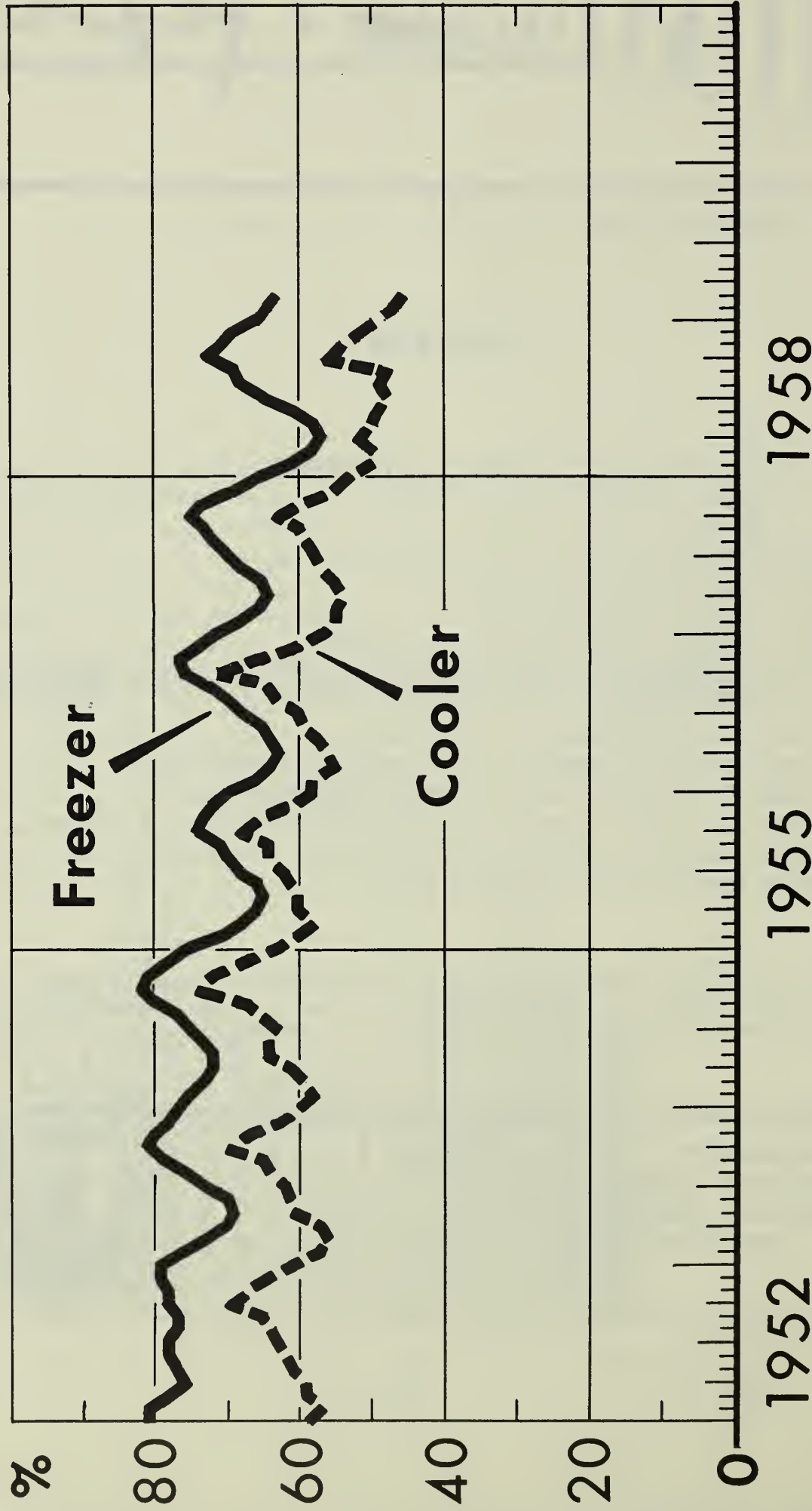
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[Data for this report are collected from public, private, and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants where food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All March 31, figures are preliminary.]

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PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES



END OF MONTH OCCUPANCY

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General commodity movement

The change in weight of cooler held products was downward during March and by April 1, stocks totaled 1.8 billion pounds. Fresh fruits particularly, were reduced in supply. Only holdings of dried and evaporated fruits, shelled nuts, eggs, and some meats increased during the month. Freezer storage stocks declined seasonally, too. Although stock gains were reported for cream, eggs, juices, and pork, the reductions of other frozen stored products more than offset these increases to bring April 1 stocks down to 2.6 billion pounds.

Storage occupancy

A continued decline in space utilization during March was evidenced in both coolers and freezers. On April 1, cooler occupancy was down 1 percentage point to 46 percent. A year earlier, 50 percent of the cooler space was occupied while 55 percent is generally utilized on April 1. The Middle Atlantic States, down 5 percentage points from a month earlier, showed the largest decline while the Mountain States' occupancy, up 5 points, showed the largest cooler increase. Freezer occupancy, at 63 percent on April 1, declined 2 percentage points during March. This time last year, 58 percent of the freezer space was occupied. Normally, 66 percent of the freezer space is utilized on April 1. Except in the West North Central and East South Central, where occupancy remained unchanged from a month earlier, utilization of freezer space declined in all regions. Based on historical performance, the utilization of cooler space should increase during April but freezer space use should continue to decline.

Dairy products

With a small net gain during March, cream stocks totaled 5 million pounds on April 1. A year earlier, nearly 9 million pounds were in storage while the average is 6 million pounds. April 1 stocks of butter at 63 million pounds were down 1 million pounds from a month earlier. This is contrary to a year earlier when

stocks increased 19 million pounds to total 106 million. The average net gain during March is 11 million pounds while average April 1 holdings of butter are 179 million. American cheese stocks on April 1 amounted to 225 million pounds, down 3 million since March 1. These stocks were 27 percent below holdings of a year earlier and 43 percent below average.

Poultry and poultry products

Shell egg stocks increased 42,000 cases during March. Total holdings were 94,000 cases on April 1. These stocks were 19 percent larger than a year earlier but 79 percent below average. With a net increase of 8 million pounds during March, frozen egg stocks totaled 54 million on April 1. Last year on April 1, nearly 53 million pounds were in storage while average stocks are 74 million. Total poultry meats were reduced 44 million pounds during March. On April 1, total stocks amounted to 249 million pounds. This was 16 percent above total holdings a year earlier and 23 percent above average. All individual frozen poultry meat stocks were below a month earlier. Turkey stocks showed a net disappearance of 28 million during March and totaled 112 million pounds on April 1. This was 14 percent below stocks held a year earlier but 8 percent above average. On April 1, turkey processors were asked to report stocks in their own and public warehouses according to certain weight classes. Based on their response that accounted for 27 million pounds of 112 million pounds reported in storage on April 1, the following distribution of stocks, by weight classes, was indicated: turkeys 8 pounds and under, 16 percent; over 8 but less than 16 pounds, 24 percent; over 16 but less than 22 pounds, 25 percent; and over 22 pounds, 35 percent. This is the final of 3 monthly reports on the distribution by weight classes.

Juices, fruits, and vegetables

Orange concentrate holdings on April 1 amounted to 27 million gallons, down 1 million from a month earlier. This supply was 12 percent less than a year earlier and 6 percent under average. The downturn in stocks is in contrast to a gain of 1 million gallons reported during March 1958 and a 331,000 gallon increase during March 1957. Fruit inventories, at 358 million pounds, were 17 percent larger than average for April 1. Movement of frozen fruit from warehouses during March was primarily strawberries (21 million pounds), cherries (8 million), apples (4 million), and peaches (3 million). Only boysenberries showed a gain during the month. Except for stocks of grapes and miscellaneous fruits, holdings of all fruit items were above average for April 1. Frozen vegetable stocks were reduced by an amount 38 percent less than last year and 15 percent under average. The March reduction of 47 million pounds left 640 million pounds of frozen vegetables in storage. Item-wise, stock gains were reported for broccoli, cauliflower, french fries, and spinach but these were offset by the declines of the other vegetables. The largest reduction was 22 million pounds of peas which left 115 million pounds in storage. These stocks were 23 percent less than April 1, 1958 but 15 percent more than average.

Meat and meat products

A net gain of 15 million pounds in red meat stocks during March brought holdings up to 597 million pounds on April 1. These stocks were 46 percent above a year earlier but 9 percent below the 1954-58 average. Beef stocks declined 4 million pounds during March and on April 1 totaled 169 million. A year earlier, 110 million were in storage while average stocks are 158 million pounds. Pork holdings on April 1 were 333 million pounds, an increase of 17 million over the previous month. Except for an 8 million pound reduction in stocks of hams, all other frozen pork items increased during March. The net increase in frozen pork picnics amounted to 2 million pounds while frozen pork bellies showed a net gain of 28 million pounds.

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Table 1. --Net changes in storage holdings during March (1)

Cooler commodities	Holdings March 31, 1959	March net change		Freezer commodities	Holdings March 31, 1959	March net change	
		Quantity	Pct.			Quantity	Pct.
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	Pct.		1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	Pct.
Apples	682,896	- 320,880	32	Cream.	4,965	153	3
Pears.	28,350	- 14,650	34	Butter, creamery	63,067	- 966	2
Other fresh fruits	4,087	- 5,598	58	Eggs	53,963	8,262	18
Fresh vegetables .	66,247	- 9,705	13	Poultry.	249,207	- 44,355	15
Dried & Evap. fts.	33,683	4,193	14	Fruits	358,219	- 46,135	11
Nutmeats	229,919	40,794	22	Juices	419,490	23,252	6
Nuts in shell. . .	60,555	- 1,504	2	Vegetables . . .	640,068	- 47,053	7
Other dairy prod.	6,277	- 1,516	19	Beef	154,775	- 5,626	4
Cheese	256,061	- 4,039	2	Pork	280,924	24,496	10
Shell eggs	4,399	1,965	81	Other meats. . .	24,053	- 792	3
Beef	14,283	1,626	13	Miscellaneous. .	347,457	172	-
Pork	51,923	- 7,600	13				
Canned meats . . .	70,813	2,801	4				
Miscellaneous. . .	335,686	- 5,026	1				
Total.	1,845,179	- 319,139	15	Total.	2,596,188	- 88,592	3

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the tables that follow.

Table 2. End-of-month Apple holdings, by States

State	March 1954-58 average (1)	March 1958	February 1959	March 1959
	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
New England	351	459	1,496	964
New York.	1,245	1,483	3,738	2,492
New Jersey	169	151	390	274
Pennsylvania	155	198	464	233
Ohio	84	98	148	103
Illinois	114	124	116	55
Michigan	305	463	1,510	953
Missouri	28	20	38	18
Kansas	15	46	54	28
Virginia	385	294	1,195	670
West Virginia	66	37	371	179
Washington	3,969	5,201	10,306	7,485
Oregon	83	153	61	38
California	625	582	723	568
Other states	119	103	302	167
U. S. Total	(2) 7,713	9,412	20,912	14,227

(1) Prior to 1956, processing stocks were excluded.

(2) Not comparable.

Table 3. — End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Decreased by 7 million bushels; March 1958 decrease was 9 million bushels; average March decrease is 6 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by 293 thousand bushels; March 1958 decrease was 315 thousand bushels; average March decrease is 378 thousand bushels.

Commodity	Unit	March 1954-58 av.	March 1958	February 1959	March 1959
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Apples, fresh:					
Western (1)	Standard boxes	4,396	4,786	(1)	(1)
Western	Other containers	416	1,260	(1)	(1)
Eastern	Bushel baskets	796	644	(1)	(1)
Eastern	Other containers	2,105	2,722	(1)	(1)
Total	Bushel	(2) 7,713	9,412	20,912	14,227
Pears, fresh:					
Bartletts	Boxes, baskets, etc.	15	67	4	1
Bartletts	L. A. lugs	(3)	5	-	2
Other varieties	Boxes, baskets, etc.	413	517	717	472
Other varieties	L. A. lugs	(3)	51	223	149
Total	Boxes, baskets, etc.	(4) 444	640	944	624
Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts:					
Fresh grapes	Pound	4,981	1,581	7,319	1,053
Other fresh fruits	do.	4,372	6,296	2,366	3,034
Dried & evaporated fruits	do.	35,823	35,431	29,490	33,683
Onions	do.	27,291	22,971	39,409	26,464
Celery	do.	283	79	302	238
Other fresh vegetables	do.	65,664	75,449	36,241	39,545
Nut meats, peanuts	do.	98,337	141,861	156,977	194,170
Nut meats, other nuts	do.	33,042	37,330	32,148	35,749
Peanuts, in shell	do.	4,856	7,993	2,952	3,058
Other nuts, in shell	do.	58,243	51,289	59,107	57,497

- (1) Not reported separately after December 31, 1958.
 (2) Not comparable.
 (3) Not reported separately prior to January 31, 1956.
 (4) In terms of bushels.

Table 4. — End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Frozen fruits: Decreased by 46 million pounds; March 1958 decrease was 40 million pounds; average March decrease is 40 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Decreased by 47 million pounds; March 1958 decrease was 76 million pounds; average March decrease is 55 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Decreased by 1 million gallons; March 1958 change was an increase of 1 million gallons; average March change is a decrease of .03 million gallons.

Commodity	March 1954-58 av. 1,000 pounds	March 1958 1,000 pounds	February 1959 1,000 pounds	March 1959 1,000 pounds
Fruits, frozen:				
Apples	42,594	51,652	55,642	52,174
Apricots	4,007	4,144	5,212	4,527
Blackberries	10,334	15,888	14,270	11,860
Blueberries	14,175	15,736	19,068	17,046
Boysenberries	(1)	(1)	12,816	13,197
Cherries	37,894	47,752	52,260	43,513
Grapes	10,595	8,600	10,361	9,893
Peaches	26,093	30,167	33,806	30,497
Raspberries, red	(2) { 21,026	(2) { 26,530	16,988	15,205
Raspberries, black			11,260	9,333
Strawberries	90,991	110,450	128,362	107,532
All other fruits	47,277	50,813	44,309	43,442
Total	304,986	361,732	404,354	358,219
Juices, frozen:				
Orange juice	287,747	305,500	279,860	269,420
Gallons equivalent (3)	29,065	30,859	28,269	27,214
Other fruit juices and purees	129,975	134,261	116,378	150,070
Vegetables, frozen:				
Asparagus	10,495	14,295	12,900	10,723
Beans, lima	71,624	76,051	81,387	72,698
Beans, snap	46,333	45,286	69,641	57,153
Broccoli	40,650	38,694	42,551	46,498
Brussels sprouts	20,993	19,793	21,034	18,838
Carrots	(1)	(1)	23,408	23,321
Cauliflower	18,293	16,410	16,170	16,370
Corn, sweet	53,075	55,934	60,003	49,449
Mixed vegetables	(1)	23,090	23,444	21,654
Peas, green	99,906	149,321	137,094	115,088
Peas and carrots, mixed	(1)	12,114	15,428	13,844
Potatoes, french fried	(1)	69,061	90,790	98,226
Spinach	27,171	24,371	19,504	26,382
All other vegetables	152,895	77,148	73,767	69,824
Total	541,435	621,568	687,121	640,068

(1) Not available. (2) Red and black combined.
(3) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

Table 5. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Cream: Increased by 153 thousand pounds; March 1958 change was a decrease of 387 thousand pounds; average March change is an increase of 212 thousand pounds.

Butter: Decreased by 1 million pounds; March 1958 change was an increase of 19 million pounds; average March increase is 11 million pounds.

Cheese: Decreased by 4 million pounds; March 1958 decrease was 14 million pounds; average March decrease is 1 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Increased by 42 thousand cases; March 1958 change was a decrease of 26 thousand cases; average March change is an increase of 184 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Increased by 8 million pounds; March 1958 change was a decrease of 7 million pounds; average March change is an increase of 19 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Decreased by 44 million pounds; March 1958 decrease was 42 million pounds; average March decrease is 36 million pounds.

Commodity	Unit	March 1954-58 av. Thou.	March 1958 Thou.	February 1959 Thou.	March 1959 Thou.
Cream, milk, and butter:					
Fluid cream	Pound	5,650	7,717	4,289	4,201
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat) . . .	do.	641	1,157	523	764
Condensed milk (bulk)	do.	5,437	6,822	2,288	2,792
Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods) . . .	do.	2,027	2,907	5,505	3,485
Butter, creamery	do.	178,615	106,315	64,033	63,067
Cheese:					
American Cheddar	do.	397,100	307,487	227,830	224,732
Swiss, including block	do.	8,770	5,752	9,803	8,609
All other varieties	do.	22,554	26,634	22,467	22,720
Total cheese	do.	428,424	339,873	260,100	256,061
Eggs:					
Shell	Case	448	79	52	94
Frozen eggs, total	Pound	73,628	52,688	45,701	53,963
Whites	do.	23,574	21,126	18,154	19,237
Yolks	do.	17,672	10,340	11,337	15,097
Whole or mixed	do.	28,019	17,337	14,027	17,160
Unclassified	do.	4,363	3,885	2,183	2,469
Total eggs (1) (case equivalent) . . .	Case	2,354	1,413	1,209	1,460
Poultry, frozen:					
Broilers or fryers	Pound	17,809	14,267	31,016	28,968
Roasters	do.	7,028	4,681	9,427	8,080
Hens, fowls	do.	41,448	40,717	69,887	62,596
Turkeys	do.	104,305	130,932	140,510	112,369
Ducks	do.	2,866	1,512	3,156	2,566
Unclassified	do.	28,371	22,026	39,566	34,628
Total poultry	do.	201,827	214,135	293,562	249,207

(1) Frozen eggs converted on the basis of 39.5 pounds to the case.

(2) See section on poultry products, Page 2 for breakdown by weights.

Table 6. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States

March 31, 1959

State	Cream		Creamery butter	American cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total poultry
	Fluid	Plastic					
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 cases	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Massachusetts	1		757	1,731	3	831	5,192
Other States			1,643	342	1	1,241	3,770
New England			2,400	2,073	4	2,072	8,962
New York	2,428	371	4,846	30,314	10	4,708	23,010
New Jersey	249		2,248	272	5	1,280	9,357
Pennsylvania	554	45	1,402	1,255	4	1,749	18,661
Middle Atlantic			8,496	31,841	19	7,737	51,028
Ohio	171		2,169	632	1	1,911	4,070
Indiana			1,635	82	1	770	1,059
Illinois			8,870	5,019	14	6,621	27,605
Michigan			2,453	1,927	1	722	5,615
Wisconsin			3,476	134,291		292	1,924
East North Central			18,603	141,951	17	10,316	40,273
Minnesota		1	19,033	8,748		1,041	5,912
Iowa			2,978	145	5	7,338	6,182
Missouri	53	49	471	18,442	18	9,670	18,014
Dakotas			286	148		377	50
Nebraska	25		192	28	2	3,162	15,198
Kansas			1,293	518	3	811	3,600
West North Central			24,253	28,029	28	22,399	48,956
South Atlantic			1,560	4,411	4	2,860	24,663
Kentucky			651	803	1	378	1,811
Tennessee			538	457		650	3,519
Ala. and Mississippi			217	1,949		340	4,004
East South Central			1,406	3,209	1	1,368	9,334
Arkansas and Louisiana			1,013	538	2	385	7,697
Oklahoma			870	66		781	1,310
Texas	6		815	1,384	2	2,585	5,768
West South Central			2,698	1,988	4	3,751	14,775
Colorado			670	95		279	2,637
Other States			587	1,709		111	6,377
Mountain			1,257	1,804		390	9,014
Washington			646	214	2	465	3,033
Oregon			112	6,481	1	77	2,160
California	157		1,636	2,731	14	2,528	37,009
Pacific			2,394	9,426	17	3,070	42,202
Other States (Cream only)	557	298					
United States	4,201	764	63,067	224,732	94	53,963	249,207

Table 7. --End-of month stocks of meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Beef: Decreased by 4 million pounds; March 1958 decrease was 7 million pounds; average March decrease is 17 million pounds.

Pork: Increased by 17 million pounds; March 1958 change was a decrease of 4 million pounds; average March change is an increase of 5 million pounds.

Other meats: Increased by 2 million pounds; March 1958 increase was 2 million pounds; average March increase is 2 million pounds.

COMMODITY	March 1954-58 av. 1,000 pounds	March 1958 1,000 pounds	February 1959 1,000 pounds	March 1959 1,000 pounds
Beef:				
Frozen	148,949	97,801	160,401	154,775
In cure and cured	9,491	11,777	12,657	14,283
Total	158,440	109,578	173,058	169,058
Pork, frozen:				
Picnics	(1)	5,590	7,325	9,623
Hams	(1)	29,138	58,946	51,024
Bellies	(1)	83,643	86,255	113,860
Other frozen pork cuts	(1)	54,589	103,902	106,417
Total	324,261	172,960	256,428	280,924
Pork in cure or cured:				
Dry salt bellies	(1)	9,424	12,325	10,646
Other dry salt pork	(1)	6,578	8,360	8,329
Other pork cuts	(1)	35,360	38,838	32,948
Total	86,129	51,362	59,523	51,923
Total pork	410,390	224,322	315,951	332,847
Other meats and meat products:				
Veal, frozen	13,489	9,188	13,792	13,415
Lamb and mutton, frozen	8,274	4,861	11,053	10,638
Canned meats in cooler	63,725	61,119	68,012	70,813
Total all meats	654,318	409,068	581,866	596,771
Hides and pelts	80,757	83,076	62,932	57,184

(1) Not reported separately prior to 1957.

Table 8. --End-of-month stocks of frozen fishery products (1)

Species	March 1958	February 1959	March 1959
	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>
Salt-water:			
Filletts and steaks:			
Blocks and slabs	4,456	9,032	7,689
Cod	4,269	3,935	4,393
Flounder	1,711	3,374	2,824
Haddock	5,078	4,233	5,276
Halibut	2,037	2,379	2,087
Ocean perch	4,764	9,669	8,236
Pollock	669	1,170	990
Salmon	442	499	512
Whiting (incl. split "butterfly")	865	1,410	1,219
Other filletts and steaks	4,323	6,347	5,073
Fish sticks or pieces (cooked & uncooked, all species) . .	3,270	4,884	4,967
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Halibut	2,597	6,074	4,127
Mackerel (except Spanish)	455	916	692
Sablefish	3,408	1,660	1,348
Salmon:			
King or chinook	1,507	3,377	2,842
Silver or coho	1,038	3,431	2,621
Chum or keta	543	933	841
Unclassified	560	1,171	888
Smelt	846	912	783
Swordfish	1,820	2,126	1,554
Tuna	801	1,507	1,485
Whiting, headed and gutted	5,049	8,544	5,843
Other salt-water fish (except bait)	10,918	11,597	13,773
Fresh-water:			
Filletts and steaks	502	1,641	1,223
Round, dressed, etc.			
Chubs	314	1,145	877
Trout	1,407	1,291	1,454
Whitefish	1,764	1,440	1,386
Other fresh-water fish (except bait)	2,509	1,913	1,710
Bait and animal food (salt & fresh-water)	7,656	10,471	9,917
Shellfish:			
Crabs (incl. crab meat)	3,009	2,159	2,689
Lobster tails (spiny)	5,984	3,668	3,724
Oyster meats	1,211	690	754
Scallop meats	1,427	1,069	899
Shrimp, raw and headless	14,501	27,555	25,052
All others	6,044	8,966	8,946
Squid	523	778	700
Other shellfish	2,297	1,812	1,687
Total frozen fish and shellfish	110,574	152,778	141,081
Cured fish	10,321	12,773	13,759
Total all fish and shell fish	120,895	166,551	154,840

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.

TABLE 9.

-- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, March 31, 1959

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.
Fruits, frozen:											
Apples	Pound	1,916	17,483	12,582	1,690	9,355	272	460	284	8,132	52,174
Apricots	do.	61	454	177	153	27	4	90	38	3,523	4,527
Blackberries	do.	125	1,379	1,206	1,498	375	183	556	140	6,398	11,860
Blueberries	do.	3,126	4,954	5,574	775	849	357	92	35	1,284	17,046
Boysenberries	do.	4	593	1,257	449	146	53	323	91	10,281	13,197
Cherries	do.	214	15,797	15,930	2,278	2,606	333	472	1,330	4,553	43,513
Grapes	do.		5,133	3,269	174	65	573	449	13	217	9,893
Peaches	do.	340	4,357	4,559	2,361	4,469	472	770	535	12,634	30,497
Red Raspberries	do.	834	3,254	1,833	1,083	184	35	153	220	7,609	15,205
Black Raspberries	do.	131	1,658	3,335	652	189	41	56	28	3,243	9,333
Strawberries	do.	3,852	14,124	10,837	11,680	4,216	6,565	2,576	946	52,736	107,532
Other frozen fruits	do.	1,447	9,029	15,691	2,532	3,508	218	995	1,475	8,547	43,442
TOTAL											
	do.	12,050	78,215	76,250	25,325	25,989	9,106	6,992	5,135	119,157	358,219
Juices, frozen:											
Orange juice	do.	2,119	7,705	4,750	3,002	227,496	1,051	2,761	2,184	18,352	269,420
Other fruit juices and purees	do.	2,925	25,754	13,243	14,692	50,737	1,069	2,319	757	38,574	150,070
Vegetables, frozen:											
Asparagus	do.	439	2,486	807	1,074	2,241	354	256	153	2,913	10,723
Beans, lima	do.	706	12,992	4,091	6,135	7,688	2,298	693	3,128	34,967	72,698
Beans, snap	do.	935	20,038	3,859	3,295	5,945	1,854	817	322	20,088	57,153
Broccoli	do.	705	9,037	1,818	3,746	3,428	816	831	448	25,669	46,498
Brussels sprouts	do.	225	2,775	880	3,220	808	390	384	339	9,817	18,838
Carrots	do.	40	5,432	2,839	2,331	1,703	141	275	40	10,520	23,321
Cauliflower	do.	244	4,489	745	1,803	1,418	253	363	149	6,906	16,370
Corn	do.	667	9,308	3,636	11,255	3,736	862	862	1,343	17,835	49,449
Mixed vegetables	do.	116	3,775	1,366	4,057	1,253	327	389	355	10,016	21,654
Peas, green	do.	9,114	18,935	7,641	16,502	4,472	2,068	1,583	3,610	51,163	115,088
Peas and carrots, mixed	do.	76	2,299	769	1,541	409	170	263	164	8,153	13,844
Potatoes, french fried	do.	10,501	13,903	4,536	26,085	4,300	760	864	17,237	20,040	98,226
Spinach	do.	585	5,606	1,222	1,317	2,535	936	1,322	233	12,626	26,382
Other frozen vegetables	do.	1,709	10,832	6,028	6,318	18,090	8,449	3,946	1,816	12,636	69,824
TOTAL											
	do.	26,062	121,907	40,237	88,679	58,026	19,623	12,848	29,337	243,349	640,068
Fruits, vegetables and nuts:											
Fresh grapes	do.	17	1,018	9	227	21	568	381		656	1,053
Other fresh fruits	do.	1,380	14,913	9,036	1,040	1,529	171	55	8	818	3,034
Dried and evaporated fruits	do.	31	11,848	6,579		10	326	86		4,466	33,683
Onions	do.	1	162	38	9	8	1	19		7,584	26,464
Celery	do.	2,133	11,338	5,857	3,038	899	222	969	2,089	13,000	39,545
Other fresh vegetables	do.	1,144	507	5,553	3,357	133,437	21,507	27,975	63	627	194,170
Peanut meats	do.	1,176	5,546	5,652	1,574	1,514	361	4,281	225	15,420	35,749
Peanuts, in shell	do.		24	42	7	2,934	6	45			3,058
Other nuts, in shell	do.	336	3,554	2,886	7,465	15,477	78	11,312	1,920	14,469	57,497
Fresh apples	Bushel	964	2,999	1,157	50	906	42	15	3	8,091	14,227
Fresh pears	Boxes		33	5				37		549	624

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TABLE 9. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, March 31, 1959 -- Continued

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.	THOU.
Dairy products and eggs:											
Cream (not including plastic)	Pound	18	3,231	174	216	220		28	85	161	4,201
Cream, plastic	do.	7	416		50	144			129	18	764
Butter, creamery	do.	2,400	8,496	18,603	24,253	1,560	1,406	2,698	1,257	2,394	63,067
Cheese, Natural, American	do.	2,073	31,841	141,951	28,029	4,411	3,209	1,988	1,804	9,426	224,732
Cheese, Swiss	do.	3	629	4,473	2,426	16	3	711	291	57	8,609
Cheese, Other natural varieties	do.	201	4,872	15,692	437	223	156	160	787	192	22,720
Eggs, shell	Case	4	19	17	28	4	1	4		17	94
Eggs, frozen	Pound	2,072	7,737	10,316	22,399	2,860	1,368	3,751	390	3,070	53,963
Poultry, frozen:											
Broilers or fryers	do.	1,040	3,134	1,377	3,930	5,600	1,185	6,218	453	6,031	28,968
Roasters	do.	1,761	1,571	520	758	837	570	136	280	1,647	8,080
Hens, fowls	do.	1,854	20,014	11,391	18,673	4,280	1,004	968	227	4,185	62,596
Turkeys	do.	3,240	19,058	19,191	21,968	7,920	2,233	6,268	7,241	25,250	112,369
Ducks	do.	152	675	781	85	201	21	100	94	457	2,566
Unclassified	do.	915	6,576	7,013	3,542	5,825	4,321	1,085	719	4,632	34,628
TOTAL	do.	8,962	51,028	40,273	48,956	24,663	9,334	14,775	9,014	42,202	249,207
Meats, meat products and fish:											
Beef, frozen	do.	11,313	23,554	36,173	31,274	4,672	4,814	13,052	3,990	25,933	154,775
Beef, in cure or cured	do.	1	4,450	3,199	2,359	1,694	421	200	811	1,148	14,283
Pork, frozen:											
Picnics	do.	144	1,201	3,179	2,947	1,107	241	394	162	248	9,623
Hams	do.	1,204	4,486	18,366	19,395	1,588	2,160	1,518	348	1,959	51,024
Bellies	do.	843	4,288	39,145	53,005	6,401	4,737	2,250	1,368	1,823	113,860
Other frozen pork cuts	do.	2,279	9,597	34,344	39,372	7,756	2,120	4,266	1,082	5,601	106,417
Pork, in cure or cured:											
Dry salt bellies	do.		129	2,843	6,231	703	317	229	51	143	10,646
Other dry salt pork	do.		308	3,737	3,562	442	136	131	8	5	8,329
Other pork cuts	do.	20	4,007	8,183	12,384	3,927	792	829	793	2,013	32,948
Veal, frozen	do.	765	3,708	4,351	1,457	407	194	802	106	1,625	13,415
Lamb and mutton, frozen	do.	630	2,898	2,360	1,557	186	106	1,120	170	1,611	10,638
Canned meats in cooler	do.	792	13,928	15,673	32,796	654	880	1,433	1,404	3,253	70,813
TOTAL	do.	17,991	72,554	171,553	206,339	29,537	16,918	26,224	10,293	45,362	596,771
Hides and pelts											
Fish, frozen	do.	3,137	1,290	9,289	34,766	1,473	419	3,907	780	2,123	57,184
	do.	26,131	31,704	15,175	7,584	9,635	6,212	9,717	2,524	(1)32,399	141,081

(1) Includes fish in Alaska.

Table 10. --Commodities stored in public general cold storage warehouses,
February 28, 1959

Cooler commodities	Net Weight	Freezer commodities	Net Weight
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>		<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Apples	105,504	Cream	3,598
Pears	5,950	Butter, creamery . . .	56,431
Other fresh fruits . . .	1,939	Eggs	40,562
Fresh vegetables	58,579	Poultry	272,794
Dried & Evap. fruits . .	27,946	Fruits	303,357
Nutmeats	139,587	Juices	161,549
Nuts in shell	38,760	Vegetables	470,184
Other dairy products . .	5,450	Beef	125,009
Cheese	123,388	Pork	154,597
Shell eggs	1,966	Other meats	18,843
Beef	1,636	Fish	127,830
Pork	2,677	Miscellaneous	120,404
Canned meats	30,407		
Fish	10,721		
Miscellaneous	163,245		
Total	717,755	Total	1,855,158

Table 11. --End-of-month stocks of certain commodities in storage owned by the
Government (1)

Commodity	Unit	March 1954-58 av.	March 1958	February 1959	March (2) 1959
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Butter, creamery	lb.	153,430	81,209	34,424	33,816
American Cheddar cheese . .	do.	233,257	138,853	8,697	5,842
Pork	do.	9,172	5,576	6,700	2,198
Beef	do.	11,283	2,772	2,449	1,016

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

TABLE 12.-- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities

City (1)	Net piling space reported (2)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			February 1958		March 1958		February 1959		March 1959	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England:										
Boston	1,813	3,711	85	68	90	63	52	65	64	60
Middle Atlantic:										
New York	5,434	8,293	64	65	68	63	66	68	71	67
Jersey City.	3,433	6,006	46	61	49	59	37	61	41	59
Buffalo.	1,590	1,562	49	84	42	78	63	80	48	79
Rochester.	2,089	1,606	30	61	36	57	37	73	30	66
Philadelphia	1,504	6,918	49	72	50	72	46	65	45	64
Pittsburgh	1,238	2,274	39	67	42	65	36	52	36	51
E. N. Central:										
Cleveland.	1,794	2,586	52	61	50	53	44	64	41	55
Cincinnati	369	1,699	65	61	67	57	55	69	53	70
Chicago.	10,655	12,986	41	67	42	66	40	75	43	72
Detroit.	2,257	3,176	59	70	58	68	69	70	62	67
Milwaukee.	837	1,547	81	73	80	73	43	78	44	77
W. N. Central:										
Minn.-St. Paul	835	3,815	66	64	64	66	67	85	72	87
St. Louis.	3,271	2,832	59	43	58	40	57	62	58	73
Kansas City	9,079	7,258	57	70	59	70	29	87	30	88
South Atlantic:										
Baltimore & D. C.	920	4,323	49	47	51	45	64	74	64	74
Richmond	874	434	72	80	80	80	58	76	64	80
Norfolk	901	714	84	63	84	63	77	82	80	83
E. S. Central:										
Nashville.	965	1,436	67	60	74	71	43	70	43	79
Memphis.	118	1,716	50	51	60	51	44	49	63	42
W. S. Central:										
New Orleans.	1,053	1,592	70	70	56	44	46	49	45	49
Dallas	3,544	3,752	39	47	43	46	41	45	41	44
Ft. Worth.	923	1,124	41	39	45	35	59	47	71	50
Pacific:										
Seattle	143	770	64	60	57	54	46	66	29	69
Portland	251	4,176	39	59	43	48	32	45	44	40
Los Angeles.	3,150	8,544	75	71	74	74	85	78	83	76
San Francisco.	1,133	2,703	39	59	37	56	40	76	47	73
San Jose	2,358	3,776	30	57	25	44	21	38	20	38
Modesto	398	3,919	40	50	80	60	6	69	4	63

(1) Space shown includes public warehouses located in the Metropolitan area.

(2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1959.

TABLE 13.-- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses

State or geographic region	Net piling space reported (1) March 1959		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			March 1954-58 av.		March 1958		February 1959		March 1959 (2)	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.	390	1,701	47	58	59	53	46	65	38	63
Massachusetts	2,849	5,619	62	72	77	62	51	67	58	63
R. I. and Connecticut	493	1,257	42	57	60	56	45	73	34	66
New England	3,732	8,577	58	68	73	59	49	67	53	63
New York	20,870	19,399	47	63	40	59	49	66	43	63
New Jersey	3,760	7,705	55	63	48	58	40	62	41	58
Pennsylvania	3,787	9,050	54	77	43	70	44	65	42	65
Middle Atlantic	28,417	36,154	49	66	42	61	47	65	42	62
Ohio	3,144	6,496	52	73	48	54	42	67	42	64
Indiana	835	1,599	68	68	72	51	40	64	42	66
Illinois	13,422	13,849	58	77	42	66	41	74	44	71
Michigan	3,405	4,497	54	70	44	57	57	60	45	57
Wisconsin	6,741	2,616	64	70	64	68	34	63	36	65
East North Central	27,547	29,057	59	74	49	61	42	68	42	67
Minnesota	1,145	5,013	70	77	54	63	56	78	61	79
Iowa	470	3,245	68	69	61	46	53	64	56	63
Missouri	3,943	7,548	64	66	49	45	49	72	50	73
Dakotas and Nebraska	787	4,150	66	78	47	68	47	83	49	84
Kansas	9,257	7,595	62	69	60	71	31	84	32	82
West North Central	15,602	27,551	64	71	56	59	39	77	40	77
Delaware, Maryland & D.C.	970	4,683	51	56	51	46	63	74	64	72
Virginia and West Va.	7,669	1,685	41	67	43	58	36	73	32	73
North and South Carolina	437	1,142	49	73	66	65	67	75	67	76
Georgia	4,477	3,209	82	83	78	76	83	81	84	81
Florida	1,351	12,081	67	67	72	65	41	47	51	46
South Atlantic	14,904	22,800	57	66	60	61	53	61	52	60
Kentucky	1,056	1,499	66	66	59	40	45	64	39	64
Tennessee	1,843	5,290	73	72	68	57	56	57	59	56
Alabama and Mississippi	1,588	2,447	58	71	60	58	68	67	73	71
East South Central	4,487	9,236	68	71	63	54	58	61	59	61
Arkansas	210	1,260	48	50	47	45	7	77	7	68
Louisiana	1,198	2,014	66	72	60	53	50	58	49	56
Oklahoma	638	1,083	58	72	51	60	50	63	70	61
Texas	6,539	7,053	56	51	46	43	51	50	50	49
West South Central	8,585	11,410	57	56	48	47	50	55	51	53
Mountain	1,863	6,087	69	71	75	65	42	63	47	62
Washington	805	9,718	32	43	29	54	46	54	38	47
Oregon	1,142	8,181	43	39	46	43	75	44	49	38
California	11,876	25,713	51	65	50	60	49	65	50	64
Pacific	13,823	43,612	48	56	48	56	51	59	49	55
United States (3)	118,960	194,484	55	66	50	58	47	65	46	63

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1959.

(2) Preliminary.

(3) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 14. --United States refrigerated usable piling space, October 1, 1957 ^{1/}

State or geographic region	Type of Warehouse							
	Public general		Private & semiprivate general		Meat-packing plants		Apple houses	
	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.
Maine.....	1,656	357	654	-	-	-	-	918
New Hampshire.....	(253	(22	(62	(69	-	-	(5	(1,940
Vermont.....	((((-	-	((
Massachusetts.....	(10,320	(4,109	(843	(285	-	-	(14	(4,367
Rhode Island.....	((((-	-	((
Connecticut.....	1,065	140	-	-	-	-	2	2,701
New England.....	13,294	4,628	1,559	354	-	-	21	9,926
New York.....	22,455	21,325	2,458	6,256	722	2,191	458	16,904
New Jersey.....	11,078	4,577	2,296	569	-	-	28	2,821
Pennsylvania.....	10,062	4,954	2,859	1,401	259	850	599	6,371
Middle Atlantic...	43,595	30,856	7,613	8,226	981	3,041	1,085	26,096
Ohio.....	7,967	4,220	217	197	95	1,572	14	923
Indiana.....	2,495	628	(3,254	(3,172	400	295	(31	(1,830
Illinois.....	14,406	14,768	(	(	784	2,564	((
Michigan.....	8,126	5,439	3,106	3,389	(1,173	(1,204	(64	(9,227
Wisconsin.....	5,680	5,026	383	6,648	((((
East North Central	38,674	30,081	6,960	13,406	2,452	5,635	109	11,980
Minnesota.....	5,479	1,317	2,575	68	1,462	1,076	((
Iowa.....	4,197	692	734	395	1,797	2,292	((
Missouri.....	(9,695	(5,105	123	1,278	(778	(2,199	((
North Dakota.....	(	(	-	-	(	(	(1/	(1/
South Dakota.....	(4,000	(769	-	-	(1,277	(4,524	((
Nebraska.....	(	(	(310	(203	((((
Kansas.....	7,761	9,597	(	(	665	1,853	((
West North Central	31,132	17,480	3,742	1,944	5,979	11,944	1/	1/
Delaware.....	405	244	(1,449	(6	1/	1/	((
Maryland & D. C.....	5,012	821	(	(	1/	1/	((
Virginia.....	2,549	5,468	816	4,662	(43	(184	(1/	(1/
West Virginia.....	552	805	578	338	((((
North Carolina.....	(1,591	(711	(133	(194	-	-	((
South Carolina.....	(	(	(	(	(439	(623	((
Georgia.....	3,236	3,988	192	245	((((
Florida.....	14,366	1,342	13,701	281	-	-	((
South Atlantic...	27,711	13,379	16,869	5,726	526	1,040	891	16,209
Kentucky.....	1,499	1,056	115	169	(253	(467	((
Tennessee.....	5,088	2,109	715	43	(	(	(1/	(1/
Alabama.....	(2,524	(1,989	(24	(429	1/	1/	((
Mississippi.....	((((-	-	((
East South Central	9,111	5,154	854	641	1/	1/	1/	1/
Arkansas.....	2,045	315	1/	1/	-	-	((
Louisiana.....	3,299	1,096	149	52	-	-	(1/	(1/
Oklahoma.....	1,210	689	63	118	449	2,121	(1/	(1/
Texas.....	10,777	5,004	388	1,277	997	1,084	((
West South Central	17,331	7,104	1/	1/	1,446	3,205	1/	1/
Montana.....	147	134	1/	1/	1/	1/	((
Idaho & Wyoming....	1,282	253	765	126	(208	(380	((
Colorado.....	2,094	1,722	1/	1/	(	(	(1/	(1/
New Mexico.....	(538	(135	1/	1/	-	-	((
Arizona.....	(	(	-	-	1/	1/	((
Utah & Nevada.....	1,764	347	1/	1/	1/	1/	((
Mountain.....	5,825	2,591	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/
Washington.....	11,224	2,418	5,058	1,722	484	527	1,698	70,849
Oregon.....	7,639	1,738	5,159	881	(260	(1,374	(108	(14,989
California.....	32,306	11,761	7,025	15,267	((((
Pacific.....	51,169	15,917	17,242	17,870	744	1,901	1,806	85,838
United States.....	237,842	127,190	56,478	50,108	12,716	27,961	3,915	153,527

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